

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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Many men owe the grandeur of their lives to their tremendous difficulties.—Spurgeon.

## DOES IT PAY?

Is there any part of the whiskey traffic that pays?

Not one single item.

A woman dolefully beating a drum and crying "Bread, bread," precipitated the French Revolution. The whole world is today crying out with the age-pain of hunger. Within recent months there have been great bread riots in Vienna, near-revolution in Great Britain and labor unrest in France. In our own country the fact that the anarchistic organizations have been able to stir the laboring classes and create bitter industrial warfare, both West and East, indicates that hunger, for the most part, is at the bottom of it. The people, the great masses, are hungry for bread, hungry for clothing, hungry for better houses, hungry for education—eager, we might say, to put a foot a rung higher up on the ladder of better living. It is all very well to answer the perplexed and restless wage-earner, "God knows," but Labor, organized Labor, proposes to know also, and to know the way out.

A prominent member of the United States Congress in a great speech on the floor of the House, bearing on the subject under consideration, recently stated that "The cost of living is high, largely because there is not sufficient labor employed in the production of useful things, nor sufficient legitimate employment of capital in the supplying of the legitimate needs of the people."

It seems that there is no lack of raw material in this vast Republic of ours. Nor is there a dearth of labor, for even in the most prosperous times upwards of 3,000,000 unemployed men tramp our streets. Something evidently intervenes between the raw material furnished in Nature's rich supplies, such as potential food and potential comforts, and the ranks of Labor, hungering, longing for the opportunity to convert this potential raw material into such means as to satisfy the needs and longings of mankind.

What, we enquire, is the intervening factor? LIQUOR STANDS BETWEEN. Note the words of a great leader of Labor: "Liquor has perverted a vast wealth of raw material. It has robbed a million or more of men of the right to work. It has taxed the people for the price of its crime, of its poverty, of its insanity, of its endless and cumulative iniquities. It has elevated men whom the people despise; too often to rule over us as traitors to the common good, fostered bribery, created graft and fought blindly against every reform, against economy, against purity of politics and efficiency of industrialism."

Again, we enquire, does it pay? Let us take a concrete illustration. A workman with ten dollars in his pocket enters a saloon. He takes a glass of beer and then takes another with his friends, then treats all present at the bar, after which he takes a drink of whisky. When he leaves the saloon his money is all gone and he carries "a load."

What is the effect of his drinking upon himself? Does it tend to raise his standard of living and condition of efficiency whereby he may be able to demand a higher wage? Does it contribute to the intelligence and character with which he can back up his demands? Are not these sensible questions for him to consider? Probably about one dollar of the ten dollars which he has spent goes to the Government as an Internal Revenue tax. The other nine dollars in part go to the saloon keeper, his bar-tender, the brewer, the distiller, and in part to the politicians who give "protection" and the balance to the war fund with which "the traffic" fights its way to its rich livelihood.

So far as Society, of which the man is a member, is concerned, so far as his family is concerned, and so far as he himself, the value of that ten dollars, with the slight exceptions we have noted, is absolutely lost, and the only net proceeds accruing to the man himself from the expenditure of his wages is *evil*.

Let us follow the case a little further.

The man goes home with his "load." He finds his wife absent, gone to solicit help from her sober neighbors. She has, therefore, become a charge upon the community. One of the children

is ill and must be taken to the free hospital—another charge to the community. Still another child, born since the man became alcoholized, is an idiot and can no longer be kept out of the State Institution—another charge upon the community. An elder son, reared in a drinking home, is in the penitentiary, but, unfortunately, he did not go there until he himself had started a family which will increase and perpetuate the burden which his father's intemperance has placed upon the country.

Here, then, is where liquor intervenes. For it is just here we may easily discover that the present high cost of living is largely, if not entirely, due to the men who patronize the Saloon and the men who run it—the manufacturers and the sellers of alcoholic drinks. Well may we ask, "Does it pay?"

## THINK IT OVER

A businessman of Honolulu was recently heard to remark "More fuss about THAT Carnival, from the papers you would think they were going to have a World's Fair here."

This man is engaged in a line of trade which draws largely upon the tourist for support, a business, in fact, that could not exist excepting for the tourist trade, a great deal of which is brought to Honolulu through the untiring efforts of public spirited citizens and members of the press, which make possible the Carnival. He is the proprietor of a large curio store.

It is probable that the casual remark referred to was made thoughtlessly. If so, all the more reason why others heated like himself should stop to think.

## MR. WILSON, A FIRM FRIEND

When President Wilson believes in a man or a measure he "stays by" with a tenacity which is absolutely immovable, and almost always victorious.

Hawaii has had an example of this trait of the President, and the country at large has witnessed many more. The "iron jaw" expresses a very definite factor of our President's character.

One of the recent exhibitions of Wilsonian determination developed from the appointment and final confirmation of Winthrop M. Daniels as a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission. Mr. Daniels had served on the public utilities commission of New Jersey and in that capacity given decisions believed to be favorable to corporations. His appointment aroused a storm of protest among progressive Democratic and Republican senators, many of them Wilson's friends. Mr. Daniels offered to withdraw. The President would not allow it, but in his inimitable quiet and positive way insisted that the Senate confirm him. A committee of Senators called on the President to confer. Mr. Wilson is credited with stating his belief that Mr. Daniels would be a valuable addition to the commission with a fair and equitable attitude toward all questions coming before it. He trusted Mr. Daniels, and no power could sway or frighten.

After four days bitter Senatorial debate the vote was taken and Mr. Daniels was confirmed. Again the President won by the power of determined patience.

Thus it must appear to the most shallow thinker that Woodrow Wilson is a valuable friend. Even the scheming politician must appreciate the utility of continually cultivating his enmity.

## THE PROPER CARNIVAL SPIRIT

Now that they are organized, the first act of the directors of the Carnival Company, Ltd., should be to pay the account of the Hawaii Promotion Committee, representing expenditures made by that committee in the interests of the 1914 Carnival.

There is not the slightest doubt of the response which the stockholders, the people of this community, would make if this were presented to them. The Promotion Committee is the same sort of a community affair as the Carnival Company. The ideal spirit of co-operation and accommodation should prevail between the organizations. Our Carnival could never have been the general success it was in drawing people to the islands without the preliminary work done by the Promotion Committee. Broad character and hearty co-operation should be the commanding force of the Carnival Company's activities.

ed more life Wednesday night than it has shown in several months, that it seems gradually becoming active and gives promise of lava flows in the very near future.

The fire from the lava pits could be plainly distinguished on Wednesday evening. One of the visitors returned Tuesday night with the report that lava was flowing at the west end, and Lycurgus and one or two others went down to witness the spectacle. When they arrived, however, the

flow had subsided, though the traces of the recent flow were easily distinguished.

Lycurgus predicts a brilliant spectacle within the next few weeks, basing his prognostication on the fact that the crater has been apparently increasing its activity for the last six weeks.

Williams College has polished the cane rush.

## WALKING THE PLANK



## Old Doc's Talk

### DREAMS. II.

My son, the man who bases his hopes and expectations upon dreams and dream interpreters soon loses individual poise. Instead of using the sense which God, his parents, and a good training have made possible for him, instead of figuring out a matter, my boy, which stands only in need of adding up, this dependent man tosses up his piece and says, "Heads up, win; tails, lose." Instead of measuring his length, plumbing his line, or sounding his deep, instead of taking time by the forelock and setting activities in motion, he goes to some money-making schemer to find out if it will rain in the sixth day of the third week of the eighth month of the tenth year of his forty-first anniversary. If the great soothsayer, who has long hair and generally uncleaned finger nails, tells him that he will take a journey very soon, my boy, if he tells him he will have a fever, get married or be divorced, and after many years (of consultation with soothsayers) succeed in life, he mimes on like a ground mole, awaiting events. Yes, my son, he does, surprising as it may seem.

If she says that he will soon die, he goes home discouraged. If she says that he will have sorrow in life, reverses, make a journey to China, if she tells him that he started out with great hopes and saw few of them realized, he goes home astonished at the supernatural wisdom of the prophetess in revealing past and future.

It is not difficult, my son, to see the effect of such faith on the character of the man, paralyzing beneficent action, stunting laudable ambition, and giving him over to a chance game with the forces of life. Ah, my boy, it needs not a prophet to foretell his future! Upon this unwillingness to face life manfully, to bear patiently the necessary burden of existence, flourishes the tree which gives us wealth men, and also those who disregard the laws of health, then go to quacks for relief. Who does not know that the professional prognosticator has a general set of forecasts, that she sees the special set not in the palm-lines so much as in the face of the applicant, his manner, his voice, and in the fact that he comes to her to be told what he might easily find out for himself.

Yes, my lad, the "secret" is written upon his forehead in letters which all may read!

## LETTERS

### PLEA FOR EQUAL SUFFRAGE.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin:

Sir: One cannot help but recognize the wonderful power of the "female vote" when that power has been placed before the world as was recently done in the killing off of saloons in the city of Chicago. One thousand ginmills legislated right out of business. That is something men could never have done. The power of the "female vote" is going to make itself felt throughout the civilized world. It is not coming in slow stages, but with a rush. There has been so much said of late on this equal rights question, backed up by actual demonstrations, it is not likely that I can add anything to the subject. It will be well if I do not subtract from the large amount of knowledge along these lines. There was a

time when a goodly number of us were not idealists enough to believe that suffrage equalization would be accomplished otherwise than by slow stages, but we have certainly been shown to the contrary, and to the decided betterment of the country where it has accomplished its desired end.

From the viewpoint of the majority one finds it difficult to accept the conclusion that there is any justice in the denial of equal suffrage any longer to every American woman in the land. Barriers to the right are dropping every day. Reasons for withholding or attempting to withhold the vote from the American women, as now put forward, are illogical. It would be fully as sensible to limit the right to vote to men 5 feet 10 inches high and six feet in circumference, as to limit the right to the mere physical distinction of the sex. Are the women not possessed of proper reasoning faculties? Are they not

## For Rent

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Beretania St., 4 bedrooms, furnished. \$85.00  
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sensible to the ordinary influences of evidence? Are they not equal, and far superior to that class of Asiatics to whom many prominent local personages would give the privilege of suffrage?

There may have been a time when governments were more or less imperfectly constructed or recognized; a time when the dark ages were receding in the dim past, that it was well and proper for women to remain under the protecting hand of the physically stronger element of the population. To be seen and not heard in the councils of government. In the remote past, even governments under laws in many cases it was might make right, and one can understand why a woman would not ask the right or privilege, whichever it may be determined. But one cannot understand, now, why in the leading countries of the world it is so. America in particular is prone to pat itself on the back, and, like the czar of Russia, anoint itself with a great deal of self congratulation about its progress, about its love of justice, about development of government. But there is still something lacking.

The preamble to the constitution, written at Philadelphia in 1787, does not say, "We, the male people of the United States," but "We, the people of the United States." One cannot but interpret that to mean that women should have some part in the law-making, no matter what the spirit of the men who wrote it may indicate. To my way of thinking this, or any other government, has passed the stage where a force of arms can carry it along successfully. Moral sentiment is the foundation of the present and all future republics, and that being so, who can give a good reason

(or a very poor one), why woman should not participate in this government of and by moral sentiment? If womankind has the underlying moral sentiment that goes hand in hand with a better form of government and a cleaner understanding of the whys and wherefores of government, if she can contribute by her influence to the passage of wise and just laws, and to a cleaner and purer condition of humanity and society she ought to be admitted as a voter.

We are in need of that "moral sentiment" vote right here, right now. It would make Hawaii a paradise in fact as well as in name.

—C. F. M.

## Personal Mention

DR. E. V. WILCOX was a returning passenger from Hawaii in the steamer Mauna Kea this morning.

T. H. PETRIE of Castle & Cooke made a flying trip to Hawaii, returning to Honolulu in the Mauna Kea this morning.

W. W. THAYER, territorial secretary, joined the steamer Mauna Kea at Lahaina, arriving in this city this morning.

MRS. E. A. LANGTON has completed a business trip to Hilo, returning this morning as a passenger in the steamer Mauna Kea.

## Home for Sale

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## WATCHES

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1454 Kewalo Street, 2 bedrooms (garage)..... 50.00  
Park Ave. and 11th, Kaimuki, 2 bedrooms..... 40.00  
College Hills, 3 bedrooms (garage) ..... 50.00

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1020 Aloha Lane ..... 2 bedrooms ..... 18.00  
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HONOLULU, T. H.

### KILAUEA SHOWING

### GREAT ACTIVITY DURING PAST WEEK

[Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence]  
HILO, April 17.—Unwonted activity has been shown by old Kilauea the last few days, according to Demosthenes Lycurgus, manager of the Volcano House, who was in the city yesterday. He says the crater display-